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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Short and Keller
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Title: HIGH THROUGHPUT SCREENING FOR SEQUENCES OF INTEREST

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a Response to the Office Action mailed August 22, 2003.

The requested extension is for two months, extending the period for response from November 22, 2003 to January 22, 2004.

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on January 22, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Enclosed is Check No. 552492 in the amount of \$210.00 to cover the fee for filing a two month extension of time. Enclosed is Check No. 552416 in the amount of \$55.00 for the Terminal Disclaimer filing fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required by this filing, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A copy of the transmittal sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 22, 2004



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